

MRS. MCCALL HAS NO INTEREST IN POLITICS

Chief Purpose in Going to Meetings Is to Guard Judge From Colds.

ISN'T ANXIOUS TO VOTE

Thinks Woman's Place Is in Her Home "First, Last and Always."

"A woman's place is in her home first, last and always," Mrs. Edward E. McCall, wife of the Democratic candidate for Mayor, said yesterday. "Her first duty is toward her home. It is the most effective domain of her activity, the most needful of her care and attention."

"Some people laugh at my ideas about the home and call me old-fashioned. But I persist. I sincerely believe that if all the wives and mothers in this country thought as I do instead of rushing about so much, seeking excitement and hunting for sensations, there would be more happiness in American families."

"The Jewish race is admirable in this respect. The devotion of Jewish wives to their husbands, of Jewish children to their parents and elders is truly exemplary. I wonder if this is a trait peculiar to the race or whether it is a habit they have brought with them from the old country. During my travels in Europe I have noticed that German and French families are much more united, as a rule—that the children show better breeding and are more respectful than over here."

"I fear that the thing that has most to do with this is the great dispersion of the American woman's interests and activities. Admittedly, it may be in some respects, it certainly is detrimental to the keeping up of the good, old-fashioned home—the one that our children look back to with tenderness and longing when they are grown up and thrown into the world."

Hasn't Studied Suffrage.

"Can a woman ever get the sort of deep, warm-hearted satisfaction out of a public career or out of an absorbing social and club life that she finds in her own home when she sees that her efforts in this, her very particular sphere, make her dear ones happy and contented?"

"That a wife and mother should have the time, or even the inclination, to go into public work, I confess is beyond the reach of my comprehension. I myself have never thought of it."

"Woman's suffrage? I am neither for nor against it. I know some very remarkable and very charming women in both fields. Personally, I have never looked into the question."

"Why should I want to vote when I have a husband who does all those things for me, with knowledge of the subject and a more thorough competence than I could ever attain?"

"The situation of women who have no husbands, who are in business, who have an estate to manage and who pay taxes is, of course, entirely different. That those women should want the vote is only natural and it seems to me that they are entitled to it."

"But married women should leave politics to their husbands. I am neither for nor against it. I know some very remarkable and very charming women in both fields. Personally, I have never looked into the question."

Never Discusses Politics.

"I don't know. I can't imagine such a case. I never discuss politics with the Judge. I keep out of that entirely."

"Yet you have been seen at some of his meetings?"

"Yes, I go with him whenever I can, but not because I take any interest in politics. Just to see that everything is all right with him, don't you know—that he doesn't catch cold—that he puts his coat on when he comes out. Men are so careless about these things. My own ambition, just now, is to keep him in good shape until all this trying time is over, to look after his health as best I can. He'll look after the rest himself."

"You see, for instance, I have made him promise that he would come home every evening at 8 o'clock and he does. I have fresh clothes waiting for him and dinner ready and I sit up to see that everything is all right. I am able to refresh and cheer him and take his mind off his worries. Even if he can stay but an hour I know it is a rest for him, and he needs it. I think that is the best, the only way in which I can help him."

"This campaign is a terrible strain for the Judge, of course. It's so new, so entirely different from his life up to now. If he wins out I shall be very glad for him. But if he doesn't I shall not be at all disappointed. How could anything disappoint me, as long as I have him and the children?"

"You see, I can't keep my thoughts away from them," Mrs. McCall said, with a smile half proud, half apologetic.

"Whatever there may be to claim my attention for a moment, I dare say the suffragettes would have no use for me and reject me as being ill constituted for militancy. I wouldn't blame them. My own little sphere has made me happy until now and I shall just let it continue to do so."

Few Interests Outside of Home.

"My only interests outside of my home lie with a few organizations like the Little Mothers and the Presentation Day Nursery. They are really wonderful institutions, and the good they do is incalculable. There is one thing I like particularly about them; they do not make their beneficiaries feel that they are receiving charity. Everything is paid for, at the rate of a nickel or even a penny. And only when those poor people are out of work they receive care and food for nothing. I would applaud the spirit in which these places are conducted."

"If suffrage means the betterment of conditions for women and little children, then I am in favor of it. But I don't see why women should need to have the vote in order to develop the work which is already being done successfully."

Mrs. McCall's vision rang pleasantly through the library of her residence as she spoke, a severe, stately room, with well-filled bookcases covering the walls, with comfortable seats of red damask upholstery, and a fine antique desk of inlaid wood with all sorts of things in silver neatly arranged on it—a music library, except for the two talking machines, which show that it is also the favorite room where the family gathers for rest and relaxation after the day's worries."

Two tiny dogs came in and backed at the stranger with angry voices, much too big for the diminutive size of the little curly white fellow and the other one with a smooth tan skin.

"They are two little Mexicans," Mrs. McCall explained, as she led the intruders out again. "They bark terribly, but I love them. Yet I think it is wrong to have pets; you get too attached to them that it is a real grief when you have to leave them. We used to have a fox terrier. At last we were obliged to chloroform him. When it happened the Judge had to adjourn court and come home to the burial. We all wept."

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SPECIAL SALES FOR TO-MORROW (MONDAY), NOV. 3d:

An Unusually Interesting Sale of Imported Hand-made Filet Lace Pieces

to be held in the Decorative Lace Section of the Curtain Department, on the Fourth Floor, will consist of Hand-made Filet Lace Table Covers, Scarfs, etc., in matched sets or individual pieces, especially suggestive of acceptable gifts, at the following extraordinary price reductions:

Hand-made Filet Lace Table Covers
regularly \$16.00 to 165.00 at \$9.75, 12.50 to 105.00

Hand-made Filet Lace Scarfs
regularly \$7.50 to 50.00 at \$5.00, 6.50, 8.00 to 30.00

Hand-made Filet Lace Pillow Covers
regularly \$9.00 to 22.00 at \$4.50, 5.50, 6.75 to 12.50

Hand-made Filet Lace Chair Backs
regularly \$4.00 to 12.00 at \$2.75, 3.50, 4.50 to 7.50

Hand-made Filet Lace Arm Pieces
regularly \$2.25 to 6.00 at \$1.25, 1.50, 2.00 to 3.50

Also a limited number of Imported Hand-made Filet Lace Stores the regular prices of which range from \$37.50 to 95.00 each, will be marked, for this occasion, at \$22.00, 27.50, 38.00 & 45.00

Women's Silk Underwear

in a specially prepared selection which comprises dainty Undergarments designed in accordance with the present mode in dress, will be on sale in the Women's Underwear Department, as follows:

Nightgowns of China Silk . . . at \$2.90

Nightgowns of crepe de Chine
at . . . \$4.50, 6.75 & 7.50

Combination Garments of crepe de Chine
at . . . \$5.75 & 6.25

Underbodices of China Silk . . . at \$1.65

Underbodices of crepe de Chine
at . . . \$2.45 & 2.90

An Exceptional Offering of Beaded Garnitures

in a variety of highly effective designs in silver, crystal or jet, will attract attention in the Trimming Department. These Garnitures, which are especially adapted for the adornment of evening or reception gowns and are regularly sold at \$7.50 each, will be marked at the special price of . . . \$4.75

Autumn and Winter Fabrics

will, in order to effect an immediate clearance, be placed on sale (commencing to-morrow) at large concessions from the original prices. Comprised in the offering are Suitings of Plain and Brocaded Velours, Plain and Fancy Cheviots, and Novelty Plaids; also Cloakings in Plaid-back materials, and Fancy Velours in moire and cut stripe effects.

A SELECTION OF DESIRABLE FABRICS, CUT IN SKIRT AND DRESS LENGTHS, AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

A Sale of Men's Furnishings

will offer an excellent opportunity for economic purchasing.

Men's Negligee Shirts, of madras and mercerized materials, with soft cuffs; actual values \$2.00 & 2.50 . . . at \$1.35

Men's Pajamas, of madras and mercerized materials; actual values \$2.00 & 2.50 per suit . . . at \$1.35

Men's light-weight gray merino Shirts, with long or short sleeves; and Drawers to match . . . per garment 78c.

Men's medium-weight Balbriggan Shirts, with long or short sleeves; and Drawers to match . . . per garment 50c.

Men's gray merino Union Suits . . . per suit \$1.75

Men's Imported Tan Cape PXM sewn, spear-point Gloves, actual value \$1.50 per pair . . . at 95c.

Men's black cotton or lisle-thread Half-hose, with reinforced heels and toes; actual value 50c. per pair . . . at 32c.

Women's Coats and Wraps, both Foreign and American Made

are now being shown at very considerable reductions from former prices. The assortment comprises Outer Garments adapted for all occasions and in the newest styles and materials, many being trimmed with fur. The following are among the remarkable price concessions to be noted:

Coats and Wraps of plush, brocaded velour and heavy pile fabrics, originally \$110.00 to 145.00, reduced to . . . \$85.00

Afternoon and Evening Coats and Wraps of rich materials, including brocades and all-silk duvetyn, originally \$165.00 to 225.00, reduced to . . . \$125.00 to 175.00

Also a number of handsome Imported Model Coats and Wraps at greatly reduced prices.

Tailor-made Suits, Afternoon and Shopping Dresses

for Misses, Small Women and Juniors, are now being presented at interesting reductions from the original prices.

Tailor-made Suits, in plain and fancy styles; reduced to . . . \$21.00, 24.00 & 32.00

Afternoon Dresses, made of fashionable silk materials; reduced to . . . \$23.00 & 32.00

Shopping Dresses, featuring smart styles and desirable wool fabrics; reduced to \$12.50 and \$19.50

Girls' Imported Hand-made Dresses

in an assortment which comprises Dresses representing desirable styles fashioned in linens, piques and lingerie fabrics, will be offered at exceptional prices, among which are:

Girls' Pique Dresses, hand-made and hand-embroidered, (sizes 4 to 12 years) at \$3.50

Girls' Linen Dresses, hand-made and hand-embroidered, (sizes 4 to 10 years) at \$4.25

Girls' Lingerie Dresses, hand-made and hand-embroidered. Many also lace trimmed, (sizes 4 to 10 years) . . . at \$4.50 & 7.75

Several new models in Girls' Imported Dresses, in silks and crepes, will be on sale at very considerable reductions in prices.

Black Dress Silks

in the latest Paris importations for mourning wear, are now in stock; also an unusually large and attractive assortment of rich Brocades, pure-dye Satins and Taffetas, soft Crepes and Marquisette faconne. Special Values are being offered in the following: Black Crepe de Chine, Charmeuse, Chiffon Taffetas, Soft Dress Satins, Satin de Chine and Satin Brocades. Samples of the specially priced Black Silks will be sent for selection upon request.

House Gown Department (Third Floor)

Extensive reductions have been made in the prices of Paris Model Robes d'Interieur, recently imported. These beautiful House Gowns are entirely appropriate for informal dinner and At Home wear.

The Mourning Department

is now displaying the new selections of Women's Correct Mourning and Mourning Accessories. Included are Paris-made Gowns, Blouses and Separate Skirts; Tailor-made Suits; Coats and Wraps; House Gowns and Negligees; Millinery; Neckwear, Veils, Gloves, etc.

Qualified Salespeople will, upon request, furnish estimates or other desired information. The following are regular stock prices:

Mourning Dresses from \$30.00 upward

Mourning Tailor-made Suits from \$28.00 "

Mourning Separate Skirts from \$7.50 "

Mourning Blouses from \$5.00 "

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